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PR front group and Leftist EL ESTUDIANTE publicly advise people to register protest by marking ballot for both Asturias and Ydigoras. This will invalidate ballot. It may cause Ydigoras lose some his expected Leftist votes and tends disprove reports of pact between Ydigoras and PR.

Enrique Oliva informed us today he is confident no more than minor disturbances may occur on election day or thereafter. He said Ydigoras is coward and his followers not militant enough create serious trouble. He said GOG had taken measures prevent possible student strike from spreading. He believes country will return completely to normal within two weeks.

Press praised moderation and courtesy authorities displayed in dissolving last night's demonstration. No violence occurred and only few ringleaders were arrested.

Ydigoras today published manifesto detailing his previous charges of GOG and MDN violations of electoral process. Ydigoras concluded by instructing his followers if they are cheated out of elections by multiple voting by frauds perpetrated by electoral tribunal or by coups d'etat suspension of guarantees and robbing of ballot boxes, they declare sit-down strike on first evidence of fraud and without awaiting further orders.

This rehash of previous charges by Ydigoras couched in language more reckless than ever before makes it abundantly clear his hopes of attaining presidency are based not on winning at polls but on marshalling public opinion behind him after elections.

Correction by Wells

MDN published today photostat of letter allegedly written September 14 by Ydigoras to Colonel Carlos Paz Tejada in Salvador which referred to agreements between them and implied financial

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